## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA TERRE HAUTE DIVISON

ANDRE JONES,		)	
vs.	Plaintiff,	) ) ) Case No. 2:14-cv-239-JMS-W0	GH
J.F. CARAWAY, War	den, et al.,	)	
	Defendants.	<i>)</i> )	

## **Entry Directing Further Proceedings**

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The plaintiff shall have **through October 22, 2014,** in which to either pay the \$400.00 filing fee for this action or demonstrate that he lacks the financial ability to do so. If he seeks leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*, his request must be accompanied by a copy of the transactions associated with his institution trust account for the 6-month period preceding the filing of this action on August 5, 2014.

II.

Plaintiff Andre Jones, an inmate at the United States Penitentiary in Terre Haute, Indiana, filed this civil action alleging that on February 10, 2012, he had a seizure and blacked out. During the seizure he was allegedly beaten by Mr. Sawyer and several other correctional staff members whose names are unknown. Jones alleges that the defendants' actions violated his Eighth Amendment rights. His claims are brought pursuant to the theory recognized in *Bivens v. Six Unknown Federal Narcotics Agents*, 403 U.S. 388 (1971).

The complaint is subject to the screening requirement of 28 U.S.C. ' 1915A(b). This statute

requires that any complaint submitted by a prisoner, or any claim within such a complaint, be

dismissed if the complaint or the claim fails to state a claim upon which relief can be granted. See

Sanders v. Sheahan, 198 F.3d 626 (7th Cir. 1999).

This action is subject to dismissal because it was filed on August 5, 2014, after the

expiration of Indiana's 2-year statute of limitations, with Jones' claim having accrued on February

10, 2012. See Myles v. United States, 416 F.3d 551 (7th Cir. 2005). "It is, of course, 'irregular' to

dismiss a claim as untimely under Rule 12(b)(6).... However, ... dismissal under Rule 12(b)(6)

on the basis of a limitations defense may be appropriate when the plaintiff effectively pleads

herself out of court by alleging facts that are sufficient to establish the defense." Hollander v.

Brown, 457 F.3d 688, 691 n.1 (7th Cir. 2006)(internal citations omitted); see also Koch v. Gregory,

536 Fed. Appx. 659, 660, 2013 WL 5779636 (7th Cir. 2013) (stating that when the language of

the complaint plainly shows that the statute of limitations bars the suit, dismissal under § 1915A

is appropriate).

Although the requirements of notice pleading are minimal, when a plaintiff "pleads facts

that show his suit is time barred or otherwise without merit, he has pleaded himself out of court."

Tregenza v. Great American Communications Co., 12 F.3d 717, 718 (7th Cir. 1993), cert. denied,

511 U.S. 1084 (1994); see also Woodard v. Jackson, 2004 WL 771244, at \*8 (S.D. Ind. 2004). For

the reasons explained above, that is the case here.

The plaintiff shall have **through October 22, 2014,** in which to show cause why this action

should not be dismissed as time barred.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Date: October 1, 2014

Hon. Jane Magnus-Stinson, Judge United States District Court

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